



## Cornus controversa 'Pagoda'



<b>Height</b>	6 - 8 (15) m
<b>Width</b>	6-8m
<b>Crown</b>	round, branching in layers, half-open crown, capricious growing
<b>Bark and branches</b>	green with shallow grooves
<b>Leaf</b>	broad ovate to broad oval, 8 - 15 cm long, dark green
<b>Autumn colour</b>	red, purple
<b>Flowers</b>	cream white, in 15 cm umbel-shaped corymbs, May/June
<b>Fruits</b>	small dark-blue berry
<b>Spines/thorns</b>	None
<b>Toxicity</b>	usually not toxic to people, (large) pets and livestock
<b>Soil type</b>	any, if well-drained, except dry sandy soil
<b>Paving</b>	tolerates no paving
<b>Winter hardiness zone</b>	6b (-20,5 to -17,8 °C)
<b>Wind resistance</b>	good
<b>Other resistances</b>	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6), can withstand wind
<b>Fauna tree</b>	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6), can withstand wind, provides food for birds
<b>Application</b>	tree containers, small gardens, patio gardens
<b>Shape</b>	clearstem tree, multi-stem treem
<b>Origin</b>	Alphons van der Bom, Oudenbosch, Netherlands, circa 1980

Small tree with branches rising in successive horizontal layers. 'Pagoda' was specially selected for its good, regular habit. The crown eventually becomes as broad as it is tall. The young twigs turn from reddish brown to greenish brown. The leaf is irregular in shape and glossy dark green. In autumn it turns purplish red. Because the leaves curl up a little in autumn, their conspicuously light undersides become clearly visible. The large, umbel-shaped flower corymbs can be followed by small, dark blue berries. However, the fruit yield is very variable and certainly not guaranteed. Shallow rooting with a fine root system. Lends itself well to pruning to create an arbour. Because the sap starts flowing early in the year, pruning should be done in summer or autumn.